

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Hiroshi HATAKAMA, et al.

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For: PRODUCT INFORMATION SUPPLYING METHOD,  
PRODUCT INFORMATION ACQUIRING METHOD,  
PRODUCT INFORMATION REGISTERING METHOD AND  
RECORDING MEDIUM

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please AMEND the claims in accordance with the following:

7. The product information supply method according to claim 5, further comprising a step of providing the person who has made registration of the combination information with a reward based on the number of times a purchase of the related products have been made on the basis of the combination information registered by said person, or based on the number of times reference has been made to the Web page by the combination information.